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: PB/NSC Coordinator

SUBJECT

: Presidential Briefings (U)

1. The following is provided for information and planning purposes. Please provide to all affected Offices/Divisions and key personnel. (U)

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2. During his 12 March meeting the <u>Director ran out of time before</u> he could get to his prepared briefing on That subject is being carried over to the next briefing.

3. The next briefing is scheduled for 26 March. There are Pre-Briefs scheduled for 19 and 24 March following the practice of the last briefing go-around. The first Pre-Brief (19 March) will be more of a screening session wherein the Director will discuss certain subjects in which he has expressed an interest with a small group of analysts. Then, at the end of each discussion, a decision will be made as to whether a Presidential Briefing will be developed. The following will be the topics of discussion on the 19th:

- Implications of Transition in Rhodesia for southern Africa
- Update on Soviet Brigade Activity
- Middle East issues
 - Syria: Prospects for Assad and Implication for Prolonged Instability if Assad Falls
 - Pan-Arab Charter
 - Palestinians: Prospects for Increased Militancy
- Reactions to Shift of US forces to Indian Ocean

(Discussion based on paper done for Brzezinski)

Effect of Conflicts in SE Asia and Afghanistan on ASEAN

In addition to these subjects for discussion, the Director has asked that short papers be done on the following subjects for possible use next week:

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• Evidence of Chemical Warfare use in Afghanistan (with photos)

•	Libya:	Qaddhafi'	s Recent	Diplomatic	Activity	and	His
		Internal	Problems				

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